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David TOMPKINS

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ADMINISTRATION OF SERVER SYSTEM THAT ARE SCALABLE AND  
VERSION INDEPENDENT



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application Technology Center 2100

**FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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Total Claims	20	20	0	x \$18.00	
Independent Claims	3	3	1	x \$86.00	86.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				\$290.00	
Reduction by 1/2 for small entity					
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>86.00</b>

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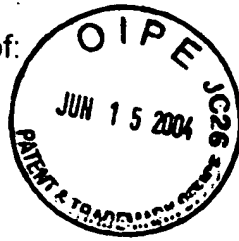
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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Prior to the Examination of the above-titled patent application on the merits, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above-titled patent application in view of the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Request for Reconsideration** begins on page 9 of this paper.

**Arguments/Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 19 of this paper.

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